



**Weekly Research Report: Grants Office, County of San Bernardino**  
**August 5, 2011**

**AGRICULTURE**

**Critical Agriculture Materials Program**

The Critical Agricultural Materials Competitive Grants Program supports product development, demonstration and validation of product performance under operational field conditions, specifically for paints, coatings, adhesives for composites, and aerial delivery systems or components that are manufactured from domestically produced agricultural materials and are of strategic and industrial importance to benefit the economy, defense and general well-being of the Nation. Many such products replace petroleum-based products, and offer opportunities to create new businesses and new markets for agricultural materials.

**Deadline: September 2, 2011**

**Maximum Grant: \$1,000,000**

**Grant Link:** [http://nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/pdfs/11\\_cam.pdf](http://nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/pdfs/11_cam.pdf)

**Simply Organic 1% Grant**

The Simply Organic 1% fund supports and promotes the growth of organic and sustainable agriculture. The types of projects they support include: research into organic production methods and crop improvement; educating farmers on organic growing techniques, certification standards and documentation; educating the public on the value of organic agriculture; and developing projects that help organic farmers to be more efficient, produce better products, and add value to their products. They evaluate grant requests based on the following criteria: how well it meets the goals of the SO1% fund; cost vs. benefit of the project; the goals, values, reputation, and track record of the organization making the request; recommendations from others in the organic community; and thoroughness and professionalism of application (all requested information provided, typed document, specific monetary request, details on how the money will be used, clear and understandable presentation, etc.)

**Deadline: Open**

**Grant Link:** <http://www.simplyorganicfoods.com/simplyorganic/ourvalues/applying.php>

**ARTS AND CULTURE**

**Multi-Arts Production (MAP) Grant**

The Multi-Arts Production (MAP) Fund, a program of Creative Capital, supports original new work in all disciplines and traditions of the live performing arts. The goal of the MAP Fund is to assist artists who are exploring and challenging the dynamics of live performance within our changing society, thus reflecting our culture's innovation and growing diversity. MAP seeks especially to support work that brings insight and vibrant critique to the issue of cultural difference, be that in class, gender, generation, ethnicity, or tradition. In contrast to the preservation or examination of existing repertoire, MAP supports those creating the art of our own time.

**Deadline: October 3, 2011 (LOI)**

**Maximum Grant: \$45,000**

**Grant Link:** <http://apply.mapfund.org/guidelines.php>

**NEA Research: Art Works**

The NEA will make grants for research projects that use existing datasets to mine data for analyses of the value and impact of the U.S. arts sector on the nation, whether on individuals or communities. Applications should present novel research questions that have not previously been explored with the referenced dataset(s). Projects that will be conducted in partnership with for-profit entities, and/or which use commercial and/or administrative datasets, are also encouraged. The agency has determined that all grants awarded under this category will have the following as their primary outcome: "Enhancing knowledge and understanding: *Evidence of the value and impact of the arts is expanded and promoted.*" Organizations will be asked to address the anticipated results of their projects in their applications. If a grant is received, grantees will be asked to report their findings in their final report. Before applying, please review the reporting requirements on the National Endowment for the Arts Final Descriptive Report form and the "Administrative Requirements" for information about a final work product research report. In the first year of the program, funds will be given only for the analysis of high-quality datasets. In future years, it may be possible for applicants to submit requests for projects involving primary data collection.

**Deadline: November 8, 2011**

**Maximum Grant: \$30,000**

**Grant Link:** <http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/Research/index.html>

### **Digital Humanities Implementation Grant**

This program is designed to fund the implementation of innovative digital-humanities projects that have successfully completed a start-up phase and demonstrated their value to the field. Such projects might enhance our understanding of central problems in the humanities, raise new questions in the humanities, or develop new digital applications and approaches for use in the humanities. The program can support innovative digital-humanities projects that address multiple audiences, including scholars, teachers, librarians, and the public. Applications from recipients of NEH's Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants are welcome. Unlike NEH's start-up grant program, which emphasizes basic research, prototyping, experimentation, and potential impact, the Digital Humanities Implementation Grants program seeks to identify projects that have successfully completed their start-up phase and are well positioned to have a major impact

**Deadline: January 24, 2012**

**Maximum Grant: \$325,000**

**Grant Link:** <http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/digitalhumanitiesimplementation.html>

### **Music Empowers Foundation**

Music Empowers Foundation provides funding to nonprofits that provide music instruction to children in communities where it does not exist or is underdeveloped. The Foundation acts as a clearinghouse to identify and partner with organizations that have the best potential to make a sustainable and measurable impact. Because of this, we can support a diversity of quality initiatives, giving a greater number of children the opportunity to learn, play, create and perform music. Interested applicants can contact the Foundation through the contact form on the website or send a letter of inquiry.

**Deadline: Open (LOI)**

**Grant Link:** <http://musicempowersfoundation.com/apply-for-a-grant.html>

## **CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**

### **Subaru Healthy Sprouts Award**

The Subaru Healthy Sprouts Award recognizes and supports youth gardening programs focused on teaching about our environment, nutrition and hunger issues in the United States. Through winning programs, youth will learn the skills necessary to maintain a healthy lifestyle compatible with environmental stewardship and gain an understanding of how their actions can positively impact the well being of their community.

**Deadline: October 1, 2011**

**Maximum Grant: \$500**

**Grant Link:** <http://www.kidsgardening.org/grants/2011-subaru-healthy-sprouts-award>

## **COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

### **KaBOOM! – Let's Play Spruce Grants**

Attention all playground owners! Thanks to generous support from Dr Pepper Snapple Group, KaBOOM! will be awarding grants of \$750 each to communities this year who wish to make their playgrounds cleaner, safer and more inviting. The Let's Play Spruce grants are designed to reward communities that have maintained and "spruced" their playspaces since their playground build. Communities must demonstrate that they have maintained their playspace and they have led an improvement project in the last 60 days. Communities that demonstrate this will receive a \$750 gift card to further enhance or improve their playspace.

**Deadline: September 15, 2011**

**Maximum Grant: \$750**

**Grant Link:** [http://kaboom.org/build\\_playground/get\\_funding/grants#spruce](http://kaboom.org/build_playground/get_funding/grants#spruce)

### **RESIST, Inc. – General Support Grants**

RESIST gives small but timely grants and loans to grassroots groups engaged in activist organizing and educational work within movements for social change. RESIST defines organizing as collective action to challenge the status quo, demand changes in policy and practice, and educate communities about root causes and just solutions. RESIST recognizes that there are a variety of stages and strategies that lead to community organizing. Therefore, we support strategies that build community, encourage collaborations with other organizations, increase skills and/or access to resources, and produce leadership from the constituency being most directly affected.

**Deadline: September 30, 2011**

**Maximum Grant: \$4,000**

**Grant Link:** <http://www.resistinc.org/grants/programs>

#### **Finish Line Youth Foundation – Founder's Grant (Emergency Funds Grant)**

These grants would be awarded to qualifying organizations that have an emergency need that would somehow be keeping the organization from providing current services. Examples would be natural disasters or other unforeseen circumstances that require special funding to help build or develop facilities or equipment needs. The foundation is particularly interested in: 1) Organizations providing opportunities for participation for children and young adults age 18 and under; 2) Organizations whose activities provide direct services to individuals and produce tangible results, rather than those that are policy oriented; 3) The potential impact of the program/project and the number of people who will benefit; 4) The organization's fiscal responsibility and management qualifications; 5) The ability of an organization to obtain the necessary additional funding to implement a program or project and to provide ongoing funding after the term of the grant has expired; and 6) Programs operating near Finish Line stores.

**Deadline: September 30, 2011**

**Maximum Grant: \$25,000**

**Grant Link:** <http://www.finishline.com/store/youthfoundation/special-grants.jsp>

#### **Finish Line Youth Foundation – Legacy Grant**

The Legacy Grants will be awarded to qualifying organizations in need of improvements and/or renovations to existing buildings, grounds, and property or for new facilities and/or grounds. The foundation is particularly interested in: 1) Organizations providing opportunities for participation for children and young adults age 18 and under; 2) Organizations whose activities provide direct services to individuals and produce tangible results, rather than those that are policy oriented; 3) The potential impact of the program/project and the number of people who will benefit; 4) The organization's fiscal responsibility and management qualifications; 5) The ability of an organization to obtain the necessary additional funding to implement a program or project and to provide ongoing funding after the term of the grant has expired; and 6) Programs operating near Finish Line stores.

**Deadline: September 30, 2011**

**Maximum Grant: \$75,000**

**Grant Link:** <http://www.finishline.com/store/youthfoundation/special-grants.jsp>

### **EDUCATION**

#### **Minority Science and Engineering Improvement Program (MSEIP)**

The MSEIP is designed to effect long-range improvement in science and engineering education at predominantly minority institutions and to increase the flow of underrepresented ethnic minorities, particularly minority women, into scientific and technological careers. There are four types of MSEIP grants: Institutional projects, special projects, cooperative, and design. Design grants are not offered in the FY 2011. Institutional project grants are grants that support the implementation of a comprehensive science improvement plan, which may include any combination of activities for improving the preparation of minority students for careers in science. There are two types of special projects grants. There are special projects grants for which minority institutions are eligible. These special projects grants support activities that: (1) Improve quality training in science and engineering at minority institutions; or (2) enhance the minority institutions' general scientific research capabilities. There are also special projects grants for which all applicants are eligible. These special projects grants support activities that: (1) Provide a needed service to a group of eligible minority institutions; or (2) provide in-service training for project directors, scientists, and engineers from eligible minority institutions. Cooperative project grants assist groups of nonprofit accredited colleges and universities to work together to conduct a science improvement program.

**Deadline: September 2, 2011**

**Maximum Grant: \$300,000**

**Grant Link:** <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-08-03/pdf/2011-19686.pdf>

#### **Bridges to the Baccalaureate Program**

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) issued by the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS), National Institutes of Health (NIH), encourages Research Education Grant (R25) applications from institutions that propose research education programs to increase the pool of community college students from underrepresented backgrounds who go on to research careers in the biomedical and behavioral sciences and will be available to participate in NIH-funded research. This initiative promotes partnerships/consortia between community colleges or other two-year post-secondary educational institutions granting the associate degree with colleges or universities that offer the baccalaureate degree. The program expects that the joint efforts of baccalaureate degree-granting and associate degree-granting institutions will foster the development of a well-integrated institutional program that will provide students from underrepresented groups with the necessary academic preparation and skills to enable their transition and successful completion of the baccalaureate and subsequently more advanced degrees in biomedical and behavioral sciences.

**Deadline: September 25, 2011**

**Grant Link:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-11-285.html>

### **Kids In Need Foundation - Teacher Grants for Creative Classroom Projects**

Kids In Need Teacher Grants provide K-12 educators with funding to provide innovative learning opportunities for their students. The Kids In Need Foundation helps to engage students in the learning process by supporting our most creative and important educational resource — our nation's teachers. Teacher grant applications will be judged according to a rubric that emphasizes innovativeness and merit, clarity of objectives, replication feasibility, suitability of evaluation methods, and cost effectiveness. Projects may qualify for funding if they make creative use of common teaching aids, approach the curriculum from an imaginative angle, or tie non-traditional concepts together for the purpose of illustrating commonalities. All certified K-12 teachers in the U.S. are eligible to apply. The foundation does not fund preschool projects.

**Deadline: September 30, 2011**

**Maximum Grant: \$500**

**Grant Link:** <http://www.kinf.org/grants/index.php>

### **Supporting Universities to Partner Across the Pacific**

The purpose of this Annual Program Statement (APS) is to support partnership between institutions of higher education in Indonesia and the United States. Component I of the APS is directed toward partnerships which support fields of applied science underlying USAID Indonesia's strategic objectives in health, economic growth and the environment; Component II is to support university partnerships, supporting science, technology and math education at the secondary level, by creating model secondary science and technology schools. Concept Papers are required before the final application is submitted. The first round of Concept Papers are due by September 15, 2011 and the second round of Concept Papers are due by March 16, 2011.

**Deadline: March 16, 2012**

**Maximum Grant: \$1,000,000**

**Grant Link:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=vFFvT4hbJmT4qM6r1WIP202p2YFHN7PGQ2v20091W2pyf7Lhnvfy1198841013?oppld=110533&mode=VIEW>

## **EMPLOYMENT**

### **Add Us In**

The goal of the Add Us In initiative is to identify and develop strategies to increase the capacity of small businesses and communities, including underrepresented and historically excluded communities, to employ youth and adults with disabilities. Add Us In aims to achieve these goals through: 1) the development and evaluation of replicable models, strategies and policies that would ensure that youth and adults with disabilities from communities that include underrepresented and historically excluded communities have access to a broader range of employment and mentoring opportunities; 2) the development of active and sustainable partnerships between targeted businesses, diversity-serving organizations, youth-serving organizations and disability-serving organizations; and 3) the building of a national and local network of experts skilled in meeting the employment needs of individuals with disabilities and the hiring needs of targeted business owners. The goal of Add Us In will be accomplished through the competitive funding of consortia tasked to design, implement and evaluate innovative systems models that support competitive employment opportunities for people with disabilities within targeted businesses.

**Deadline: September 2, 2011**

**Maximum Grant: \$550,000**

**Grant Link:**

<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=3vSxT6DGJ9hLzr9DJvh2R7rzxpskkL4WRbTk272QF4PB2fTxGRqP11211605884?oppld=111173&mode=VIEW>

## **ENVIRONMENT**

### **Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program**

Applications are being accepted for the Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program (EEMP) 2011/12 grant cycle. The program offers a total of \$10 million each year for grants to local, state and federal government agencies and nonprofit organizations for projects to mitigate environmental impacts caused by new or modified state transportation facilities. Grants are given in four categories: 1) Highway Landscape and Urban Forestry -- Projects designed to offset vehicular emissions of carbon dioxide through the planting of trees and other suitable plants; 2) Resource Lands -- Projects for the acquisition, restoration, or enhancement of watersheds, wildlife habitat, wetlands, forests, or other significant natural areas within or near the right of way for transportation improvements; 3) Roadside Recreation -- Projects for the acquisition and/or development of roadside recreational opportunities; and 4) Mitigation Projects Beyond the Scope of the Lead Agency -- Projects responsible for assessing the environmental impact of the proposed transportation improvement.

**Deadline: September 12, 2011**

**Grant Link:** <http://www.resources.ca.gov/eem/>

## HEALTH – RELATED

### **Health Promotion for Children With Physical Disabilities Through Physical Activity and Diet: Developing An Evidence Base**

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) encourages Research Project Grant (R01) applications that will improve our understanding of how patterns of physical activity and dietary choice affect the health and fitness of children with physical disabilities. Proposed research should account for the functional limitations of children with disabilities and their nutritional needs, as well as the physiological, psychosocial, and environmental factors that play a role in determining the health of this population.

**Deadline: October 5, 2011**

**Grant Link:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-11-288.html>

### **Health Promotion for Children With Physical Disabilities Through Physical Activity and Diet: Developing An Evidence Base**

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) encourages Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant (R21) applications that will improve our understanding of how patterns of physical activity and dietary choice affect the health and fitness of children with physical disabilities. Proposed research should account for the functional limitations of children with disabilities and their nutritional needs, as well as the physiological, psychosocial, and environmental factors that play a role in determining the health of this population. There are multiple deadlines until September 7, 2013.

**Deadline: October 16, 2011**

**Maximum Grant: \$200,000**

**Grant Link:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-11-284.html>

### **Human Cell Reprogramming for Aging and Alzheimer's Disease Research**

The purpose of this FOA is to support the development of human induced pluripotent stem (iPS) cells and other reprogrammed cells for aging and Alzheimer's disease modeling. The molecular and functional characterization of aged or Alzheimer's disease phenotypes in specific cell types derived from human iPS and other reprogrammed cells is expected to provide proof-of-concept evidence that human reprogrammed cells can be valid cell models of aging and Alzheimer's disease.

**Deadline: November 2, 2011**

**Maximum Grant: \$200,000**

**Grant Link:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AG-12-008.html>

### **T1 Translational Research on Aging: Small Business Innovation Awards**

The involvement of small businesses in translational aging research could hasten the pace at which scientific advances are transformed into commercial products to improve or maintain the health and functional independence of older adults. Therefore, this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is intended to support innovative research conducted by small businesses to advance the availability of novel devices, products, health care practices and programs with the potential for commercial success and the likelihood to benefit the lives of older adults. For the purposes of this FOA, T1 translational research on aging is defined as the application of basic and clinical biomedical or basic behavioral and social research findings towards the development of new strategies for prevention and treatment of age-related pathologies. T1 translational research approaches could include the development of new or existing technologies to diagnose, prevent or treat age-related conditions, functional decline and disability or for the promotion of health and well-being in mid- and later life. According to statutory guidelines, total funding support normally may not exceed \$150,000 for Phase I awards and \$1,000,000 for Phase II awards.

**Deadline: November 4, 2011**

**Grant Link:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AG-12-009.html>

### **T2 Translational Research on Aging: Small Business Innovation Awards**

The involvement of small businesses in translational aging research could hasten the pace at which scientific advances are transformed into commercial products to improve or maintain the health and functional independence of older adults. Therefore, this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is intended to support innovative research conducted by small businesses to advance the availability of novel devices, products, health care practices and programs with the potential for commercial success and the likelihood to benefit the lives of older adults. For the purposes of this FOA, T2 translational research on aging involves the development or evaluation of methods for disseminating (1) results from clinical studies into everyday clinical practice and health decision-making in geriatric medicine (e.g., adapting an efficacious intervention for application in clinical practice and in the community), (2) results from large scale behavioral and community interventions into practice in community organizations, workplaces, and public institutions, and (3) development of new technologies for

enhancing research productivity in aging research. Research activities related to T2 translational research could include data-mining for developing new educational materials, or to inform new health care practices in geriatric medicine and community programs for older adults. According to statutory guidelines, total funding support normally may not exceed \$150,000 for Phase I awards and \$1,000,000 for Phase II awards.

**Deadline: November 4, 2011**

**Grant Link:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AG-12-010.html>

## **MULTI-DISCIPLINARY**

### **Verizon Foundation**

The Verizon Foundation targets our philanthropic investments to partners and programs that achieve meaningful outcomes and measurable results in specific areas within each of our Funding Priorities. Grant applicants are required to select one or more outcomes and results for grants in each of our Funding Priorities. Funding is available in the following areas: Education, Literacy, Domestic Violence Prevention, Healthcare and Accessibility, and Internet Safety.

**Deadline: October 16, 2011**

**Grant Link:** <http://foundation.verizon.com/grant/guidelines.shtml>

### **The Lawrence Foundation**

The foundation is focused on making grants to support environmental, education, human services and other causes although our interests are fairly diverse and may lead us into other areas on an occasional basis. We make both program and operating grants and do not have any geographic restrictions on our grants. Nonprofit organizations that qualify for public charity status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or public schools and libraries are eligible for contributions or grants. The foundation makes grants to US based qualified charitable organizations. To date the foundation has funded organizations that address the following areas of interest: Education (US headquartered organizations for programs in the US), Environment (US headquartered organizations operating programs in the US or elsewhere in the world), Human Services, Disaster relief (US headquartered organizations responding to disasters in the US or elsewhere in the world on an occasional basis), and Other (US headquartered organizations operating programs in the US or elsewhere in the world).

**Deadline: November 1, 2011**

**Grant Link:** <http://www.thelawrencefoundation.org/grants/guidelines.php>

### **Sony Corporation of America**

Sony's company-wide philanthropic efforts reflect the diverse interests of our core businesses and focus on several distinct areas: arts education, arts and culture, health and human services, civic and community outreach, education, and volunteerism. Each operating company has its own philanthropic priorities and unique resources. While positive consideration is given to efforts that promote literacy and basic educational competency, the company also seeks to apply its financial, technological, and human resources to the encouragement of the creative, artistic, technical, and scientific skills required of tomorrow's workforce.

**Deadline: Open**

**Grant Link:** <http://www.sony.com/SCA/philanthropy/guidelines.shtml>

## **SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

### **George E. Brown, Jr. Network for Earthquake Engineering Simulation Research**

The Division of Civil, Mechanical and Manufacturing Innovation (CMMI) in the Directorate for Engineering (ENG) of the National Science Foundation (NSF) invites proposals for research that uses the George E. Brown, Jr. Network for Earthquake Engineering Simulation (NEES) to advance knowledge, discovery, and innovation for (1) earthquake and tsunami loss reduction of our nation's civil infrastructure, and (2) new experimental simulation techniques and instrumentation for NEES. NEES comprises a network of 14 earthquake engineering experimental equipment sites available for experimentation on-site or in the field and through telepresence. NEES equipment sites include shake tables, geotechnical centrifuges, a tsunami wave basin, unique large-scale testing laboratory facilities, and mobile and permanently installed field equipment. The NEEShub cyberinfrastructure connects, via Internet2, the equipment sites as well as provides telepresence; a curated central data repository known as the NEES Project Warehouse; simulation tools; collaborative tools for facilitating on-line planning, execution, and postprocessing of experiments; and the NEES Academy for education and outreach. Projects proposed and supported under this solicitation must require significant use of one or more of the NEES equipment sites listed at <http://www.nees.org> and the related cyberinfrastructure and/or require significant reuse of data curated and archived in the NEES Project Warehouse at <http://nees.org/warehouse>. Proposals that seek new scientific inquiry through reuse of data curated and archived in the NEES Project Warehouse, either alone or in combination with use of the NEES equipment site(s), will be considered. Through reuse of data curated and archived in the NEES Project Warehouse, either alone or in combination with use of the NEES equipment site(s), will be considered.

**Deadline: November 2, 2011**

**Maximum Grant: \$1,200,000**

**Grant Link:** <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2011/nsf11566/nsf11566.pdf>

## **TRANSPORTATION**

### **Bus and Bus Facilities: Veterans Transportation and Community Living Initiative (VTCLI) Grants**

This VTCLI grant opportunity makes funds available to local governmental agencies to finance capital costs of implementing, expanding, or increasing access to local One-Call/One-Click Transportation Resource Centers. These Centers simplify access to transportation for the public by connecting customers in one place to rides and transportation options provided in their locality by a variety of transportation providers and programs. This notice includes priorities established by the Coordinating Council's partnership for these discretionary funds, the criteria the interagency review panel will use to identify meritorious projects for funding, and describes how to apply. Additionally, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) will make mobility management training assistance and support available to Veterans Affairs networks in communities selected for award. The Department of Labor (DOL) will make social communication technologies and training available to selected grantees in order to actively engage veterans, military service personnel and families as well as others in the community in the development of plans to better respond to the transportation needs of veterans and military service families.

**Deadline: September 16, 2011**

**Maximum Grant: \$2,000,000**

**Grant Link:** <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-07-27/pdf/2011-18928.pdf>

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